

Lake County Commissioners in action

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LAKE COUNTY - Lake County Commissioners Bob Aufuldish, Dan Troy and Ray Sines meet at 10 a.m. most Thursdays, with some meetings at 2 p.m. on Tuesdays, in the Commissioners' Chambers on the fourth floor of the Lake County Administration Building, 105 Main St., Painesville.

All meetings are open to the public. Requests to address the government board may be made at any board meeting or presented to the Commissioners' Office by calling Amy Elaszcz at (440) 350-2753.

There was a meeting Dec. 20. The next meeting will be Thursday, Dec. 29.

At the Dec. 15 meeting, the following legislation was adopted:

RESOLUTIONS: UTILITIES DEPARTMENT

- Resolution certifying unpaid sewer and water sums to the Lake County auditor.

- Resolution accepting the resignation of Sarah W. Wittmann from her position of secretary I, Lake County Department of Utilities, effective Dec. 9.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

- Resolution authorizing execution of a professional service agreement between the Lake County Board of Commissioners on behalf of the Lake County Department of Job and Family Services and Steven Kanter, Ph.D. in an amount not to exceed \$10,000, effective Jan. 1, 2012 through Dec. 31, 2012.

Dr. Kanter will provide therapeutic treatment for children in the county's custody.

- Resolution authorizing execution of a professional service agreement between the Lake County Board of Commissioners on behalf of the Lake County Department of Job and Family Services

and Gerald A. Strom in an amount not to exceed \$6,000, effective Jan. 1, 2012 through Dec. 31, 2012.

The contract is for "consultation for investigative sexual abuse interviewing protocol."

- Resolution appointing Tammy A. Billicky to the position of income maintenance worker 3 in the income maintenance division of the Lake County Department of Job and Family Services, effective Jan. 3, 2012.

- Resolution authorizing execution of amendment II to the lease agreement between the Lake County Board of Commissioners and the Lake County Department of Job and Family Services to reflect an increase in the estimated utility service and maintenance charges, effective Oct. 1.

- Resolution approving Lake County Department of Job and Family Services vouchers date of warrant Dec. 23 in the amount of \$419,267.32.

The individual account charges are: Public Assistance, \$190,594.17; Workforce Investment, \$33,528.07; Child support Enforcement, \$1,368.88; and Child Welfare, \$193,776.20.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE

- Resolution authorizing renewal of a 12-month contract with Vision Service Plan for Lake County officials and employees, effective Jan. 1, 2012.

The cost has been the same since 2009 at \$1.32 per month per employee.

- Resolution authorizing execution of a workers' compensation management service agreement between the Lake County Board of Commissioners and Compensable Benefits, effective Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, 2012.

Previously the county had two contracts with Compensable for \$61,880 per year. Bill Margalis, director of administrative services, was able to negotiate one contract

for \$55,200 per year.

- Resolution authorizing execution of agreements between the Lake County Board of Commissioners and various entities and organizations for the FY-2011 Community Development Block Grant Funds.

CDBG funds come from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), so projects must meet its requirements. This year's awards are:

- Village of Fairport Harbor, ADA sidewalks, \$25,000

- Madison Township, Madison Township Park pavilion improvements, \$30,000

- Painesville, State Street Park improvements, \$50,000

- Port authority, small business loans, \$50,000

- Coaches' Corner, facility renovation, \$14,000

- Fine Arts Association, ADA entrance upgrade, \$14,000

- Lake County Buildings, improvements/ADA compliance, \$210,000

- YMCA, Central Branch - ADA entrance improvements, \$10,000

- Crossroads, HVAC improvements, challenge course, \$50,000

- Western Reserve Community Development Corp., rehabilitation, \$350,000

- City of Willowick, Hearts and Hammers program, \$20,000

- Rebuilding Together Lake County, housing repair, \$9,662

- Ecumenical Shelter Network, Project Hope homeless shelter, \$55,000

- Lake County Free Medical/Dental Clinic, social service, \$17,000

- Lake County Free Medical (Pediatric) Clinic, social service, \$8,000

- Adult Basic & Literacy Education, social service, \$6,100

- Lifeline, 211 system, \$15,000

- Forbes House, social service, \$10,000

- Neighboring, employment services, \$20,000

- Neighboring, Senior Guardian Program, \$22,000

- Lake County General Health District, newborn home visits, \$8,000

- New Directions for Living, social service, \$8,000

- Lake County Church Network, social service, \$10,000

- Coaches' Corner, administration/counseling services, \$5,000

- St. John's Family Life Education Center, education support services, \$8,000

- Fair Housing Resource Center, Fair Housing Administration, \$48,000

Commissioner Dan Troy noted CDBG funds have been reduced.

- Resolution authorizing execution of agreements between the Lake County Board of Commissioners and various entities and organizations for the FY-2011 Home Investment Partnership Program funds.

These funds also come from HUD. The awards are:

- Western Reserve CDC, acquisition/new construction, CHDO, \$75,000

- Extended Housing, Inc., rental assistance, \$43,356

- Lifeline, Inc., rental/security assistance, \$98,000

- Project Hope, security assistance, \$10,000

- Fair Housing Resource Center, Inc., rental assistance, \$40,000

- Lake Metropolitan Housing Authority, acquisition and rehab, \$154,107.80

- Resolution awarding a bid contract to Schindler Elevator Corporation for elevator maintenance services for Lake County buildings, effective Jan. 1, 2012 through Dec. 31, 2016.

The contract is \$33,516 the first year and annual increases of 5 percent for five years through Dec. 31, 2016.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

- Resolution approving payment of bills as listed on the commissioners' approval journal in the amount of \$1,479,072.60.

- Resolution approving purchase orders as listed on the commissioners' purchase order approval journal in the amount of \$252,366.89.

- Resolution increasing and decreasing appropriations for various general and non general fund accounts.

- Resolution transferring cash and appropriations within various general and non general fund accounts.

- Resolution approving the 2012 temporary appropriation measure for funds outside the general fund.

The total is about \$228 million, Aufuldish said.

Troy noted the commissioners do not control these funds which come from gasoline and license taxes, levies and other such sources.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

- Resolution honoring Judge Larry Allen on the occasion of his retirement from the Willoughby Municipal Court.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Troy said, with regard to previous mention of Ohio Job and Family Services not being in compliance with federal regulations concerning getting people to work; the state had requested a waiver because of the recession and lack of available jobs. However, the federal government disallowed it so the various county offices are making changes to bring them into compliance.

NEW BUSINESS

Troy said the state General Assembly has agreed to have just one primary election this year. Since it is an election year, costs will be much higher, so if a second primary was held, it would have been a problem financially.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The commissioners adjourned to executive session for a personnel interview and to discuss collective bargaining.